Raymond Van Ersvelde

Raymond Van Ersvelde, 74, of Brooklyn died Saturday, March 9, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at the Nevenhoven Funeral Home in Brooklyn, with the Rev. Joe. Rogers, pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, officiating.

Pallbearers were Kent,
Todd, Troy, Brett and Mike
Van Ersvelde and Dean Lacaeyse. Honorary bearers were
John Meyer, Don Van
Ersvelde, Roger Van Ersvelde
and Marvin Lacaeyse.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery, Brooklyn,

The son of Henry and Mary Van Waus Van Ersvelde, he was born Nov. 13, 1916, in Belle Plaine. He attended rural school and lived most of his life in the Brooklyn area.

He was married to Rachel DeCraene June 25, 1938, and the couple farmed south of Brooklyn until 1987 when they moved into town.

Mr. Van Ersvelde was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife; three sons, Freddie of Grinnell, Jimmy of Montezuma and Jerry of Grinnell; two brothers. Frank and John, both of Brooklyn; five sisters, Emma Frommelt of Montgomery, Ala., Rose LaKose of Brooklyn, Philomena Fraker of Marshalltown, Clara Cornelis of Brooklyn and Josephine Henry of Barnes City; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Betty Collette; and two brothers, Bruno and Henry.